MIKE KREIDLER STATE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER

#### STATE OF WASHINGTON



# OFFICE OF INSURANCE COMMISSIONER

Order No. D06-125

UNITED GENERAL TITLE ) CONSENT ORDER INSURANCE COMPANY ) IMPOSING A FINE



# Findings of Fact:

In the Matter of

- 1. United General Title Insurance Company ("United General") is authorized to conduct insurance business in Washington State. It issues property and casualty insurance.
- 2. Revised Code of Washington § 48.05.250 requires every insurer to file an annual statement for the previous calendar year with the Office of the Insurance Commissioner ("OIC") by February 28 of the following year. United General violated Revised Code of Washington § 48.05.250 and Washington Administrative Code § 284-07-050(2) by failing to file its year 2004 April Supplemental filing, including Management's Discussion and Analysis, Insurance Expense Exhibit, and Supplemental Risk Interrogatories, by the April 1, 2005 due date. The April Supplemental filing is a required annual statement supplement per the National Association of Insurance Commissioners' Quarterly and Annual Statement Filing Instructions. The Washington Office of the Insurance Commissioner ("OIC") also posts Annual Statement Filing Instructions on its website that indicate that this filing is due by April 1 of the following calendar year.
- 3. On April 28, 2005, United General completed filing its 2004 April Supplemental filings.

### Conclusions of Law:

- 1. United General's failure to timely file its calendar year 2004 April Supplemental filing constitutes a violation of RCW 48.05.250(1) and WAC 284-07-050(2).
- 2. RCW 48.05.185 authorizes the Commissioner to impose a fine in lieu of or in addition to the suspension or revocation of an insurer's certificate of authority.

### Consent to Order:

United General consents to the following, in order to resolve this matter without further legal or administrative proceedings. The Insurance Commissioner consents to resolve this matter in consideration of the insurer's payment of a fine as set forth below.

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- 1. United General consents to the entry of the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and acknowledges its duty to comply fully with all applicable laws and regulations of the State of Washington. It waives further administrative or legal challenge to the actions taken, or to be taken, by the Insurance Commissioner, related to the subject matter of this Order.
- 2. Within thirty days of the entry of this Order, United General will pay to the Insurance Commissioner a fine in the amount of \$2,700 (two thousand seven hundred dollars).
- 3. Failure to pay the fine in full within thirty days of the entry of this order will constitute grounds for revocation of the certificate of authority held by United General in Washington State. It will also result in a civil action being brought by the Attorney General on behalf of the Insurance Commissioner, to recover the fine.

Executed this 19 day of June, 2006.

UNITED GENERAL TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY

By: Lenne a. Marting

Printed Name: LENOIS A. MARTINEZ
Printed Corporate Title: Srlf and Counsel

Pursuant to the foregoing Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Consent to Order, the Insurance Commissioner orders as follows:

### Order:

- 1. United General Title Insurance Company is ordered to pay, within thirty days of the entry of this order, a fine in the amount of \$2,700 (two thousand seven hundred dollars).
- 2. Failure to pay the fine timely and in full will constitute grounds for revocation of the certificate of authority held by the insurer in Washington State. It will also result in a civil action being brought by the Attorney General on behalf of the Insurance Commissioner, to recover the fine.

Executed this 26 day of June, 2006

MIKE KREIDLER

Insurance Commissioner

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Legal Affairs Division